

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., FEBRUARY 2, 2023, A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the County Hall in the City of Buffalo, on the 2nd day of February 2023 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

**Recognizing New York Army National Guard
Sergeant Angelo Gelster for Outstanding Performance**

WHEREAS, The Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals in Erie County that enhance the quality of life in the community through their efforts; and

WHEREAS, **Angelo Gelster** serves as a Sergeant in the New York Army National Guard and is a resident of the Town of Cheektowaga; and

WHEREAS, **Sergeant Gelster** received the 27th Infantry Brigade Combat Team Command Team Award for Excellence Challenge Coin for his outstanding performance while deployed overseas; and

WHEREAS, **Sergeant Gelster** was deployed to Germany with Task Force Orion, 27th Infantry Brigade Combat Team in support of the Joint Multinational Training Group – Ukraine Mission to ensure the combat effectiveness of Ukrainian military personnel training on systems and equipment issues under the United States Presidential Drawdown Authority; and

WHEREAS, **Sergeant Gelster's** commanding officer noted, "Our support of Armed Forces of Ukraine would not be a success without the tireless efforts of Angelo and soldiers like him serving on this mission"; and

WHEREAS, challenge coins are used as unique symbols of military units and are presented to soldiers who perform above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, the New York Army National Guard awards soldiers for outstanding service to encourage continued exceptional performance, positive attitude, and development of leadership ability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor and recognize **New York Army National Guard Sergeant Angelo Gelster** for his outstanding service to our state and nation, and ongoing support to our allies across the world.

FRANK J. TODARO
Erie County Legislator, District 8